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Second, we can “go green.” Printing and mailing paper issues of the journal carry environmental costs. In recent years, we have come to believe that these costs are not outweighed by whatever advantages remain to printed pages.

Third, we can place even more emphasis on online-only materials included as supplements or appendices to articles published in the journal. These materials now represent a substantial portion of all the pages that we publish. We think that, in the future, they will become an even more important part of the journal.

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